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referring to **PROJECT ALCANTARA**

20 May 1958

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Director of Operations, DPS/DCI

**SUBJECT :** Considerations Pertaining to Effective and Efficient Project Operations

**REFERENCE :** Memo for Project Director from Project Director of Operations dated 18 March 1958, same subject (TS-155053)

I have had occasion, while catching up with the work accumulated during my recent absence, to review the referenced memorandum on considerations pertaining to effective operations. I regret the long delay in my reaction to this helpful and thoughtful paper, with which I am in general agreement. I believe, however, that the actions taken and the decisions made during the last several weeks carry your principal recommendations fully into effect and reflect the considerations set forth by you in the referenced memorandum. We have decided to go forward with the program of peripheral missions and we are both in this way and through training missions exercising crews and equipment. We are maintaining the Eastman read-out capability. I am hopeful that our peripheral missions will have the other advantages suggested by you. Unless you feel otherwise, I assume that the reference has been acted upon.

SIGNED

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RMB:ggs (20 May 58)

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